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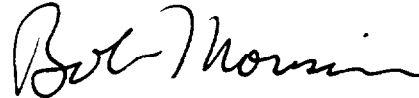
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

In answer to your letter of October 3, I am sorry to have to say that, as a matter of long standing policy, the Foundation prefers not to transfer the uncommitted balances of grants when their holder transfers from one place to another. The usual procedure is to terminate the grant and then review the situation some months after the holder has established himself in his new position. It is realized that this policy causes some inconveniences and difficulties and there have been exceptions to the rule, but for the most part, the advantages, some of which we discussed when I was in Madison, seem to overrule the disadvantages.

In the present instance, the situation is a little more complicated because we have begun discussions with the Stanford people about a very large grant for their radiation group and some mention has been made of your possible relation to it. We are planning to go out to the coast shortly after the new year for further discussions, and I hope some way may be found of meeting your needs.

Sincerely yours,



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